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REUNION

Of Old Soldiers Was a Great Success.

Two Hundred Attended Annual 'Cue and stew.

The Confederate Veterans Reunion at the Park Friday was a great success. The barbecued meats were perfectly prepared and was greatly relished by the two hundred are more who participated in the enjoyable and fraternal occasion. After dinner Col. Payne announced that speaking and joke telling would be in order. Gen. Lee opened with a thrilling address, which made everyone proud of the patriotic part taken by the veterans of the lost cause. He was followed by many other speakers and many laughable incidents of the war were related.

Everyone went away feeling glad that they had the privilege of attending the reunion.

Neurology.

The undersigned committee report, That since our last annual meeting, the following comrades have died; J. C. Suddoth, H. A. McCracken, J. A. Roden, E. D. Minter and J. H. Lawrence.

While bowing with resignation to the decrees of the Arbitrator of Life, we submissively trust that our comrades have entered the Eternal City, and with their great leaders gone before, are resting on the banks of the river safe beneath the shade of those trees whose leaves are for the healing of the nations.

As a Camp, we record their patriotism in war and moral excellence in peace and commend their example as worthy of imitation by those who still remain. To their families and relatives, we offer the sympathy and condolence that comes of love and comradeship in a cause which was cherished so highly by these dead we now commemorate.

W. A. Love,
D. R. McClary,
H. D. Foote,
Committee.

Resolutions.

Resolved that this Association of Veterans in Annual Reunion assembled, sympathize with Gen. J. H. Sharp in his protracted illness and sincerely regret his physical inability to personally be with us on this occasion.

2nd, Be it further resolved that in token of our regard and high esteem for our absent comrade in arms and as a tender reminder to him, Comrade Louis Walburg is hereby designated and requested to prepare and convey to Gen. Sharp with our heartfelt sympathy a portion of the viands which have today gladdened our tastes.

Whereas the Columbus, Light & Power Company have generously decorated one of its cars and freely transported all Veterans of our Association to and from Washington Park where our annual meeting and barbecue is being held; thereof,

Be it Resolved, That this Association tender its sincere and grateful thanks to said Company for its much appreciated consideration and kindness and,

2nd, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be furnished to each of our city papers for publication and that the Secretary of this Association be instructed to transmit to the said Railway, Light & Power Company a copy of the same, with the assurance of the heartfelt appreciation of each and every member of this association.

A. S. Payne, President.
A. C. Halbert, Secretary.

Satan keeps busy six days in de week, en even wen he go ter sleep in church, on a Sunday, he still got one eye open.

FIFTEEN CENTS

Is Price of Cotton Adopted By Farmers Union.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 7.—The convention of the Farmers Union unanimously adopted the report of the committee especially appointed for that purpose to fix the price of cotton at 15 cents per pound. Chairman D. J. Neil read the following report in convention:

"We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report: That the minimum price of cotton be fixed at 15 cents for September, and one-fourth of one per cent per pound increase per month for six months be fixed as our standard. The warehouse committee recommended the building of warehouses all over the south for the purpose of holding the staple for price, and, also, to sell direct to the spinners. Direct trade relations with the manufacturers is assured. The minimum price for wheat was fixed at \$1 per bushel; corn 50 cents; oats, 35 cents. These rates apply to the grain belt.

The convention condemned the methods of a Texas warehouse company which are operating in Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. This company is an independent concern, composed of outsiders as the head of which is several bankers. Acting Governor Pindall addressed the convention at its morning session.

The price of Sea Island cotton was fixed at 44, 48 and 50 cents per pound.

Chas. S. Barrett, of Georgia, was elected national president, O. P. Pyle, of Texas, placed in nomination the name of Mr. Barrett and J. L. Lee, of Georgia, seconded it. Mr. McCulloch, of Arkansas, was elected secretary, Miller, of Texas; Morris, of Alabama; Wilson, of Mississippi, and Jeffers, of Oklahoma, were elected executive committee members.

The report of the state business agents shows the cotton crop is far below the average, and much short of last year. In Georgia, the crop is 10 per cent off from last year. In Texas, it is claimed, only 2,000,000 bales will be raised. In the middle gulf states the crop is very short.

The convention adopted the plan of the state business agents to establish a national bureau. This bureau will be located at the national headquarters. Through the medium of this bureau the producer of the west may sell his products to the consumer of the south direct, and vice versa. The establishment of the bureau is considered one of the wisest moves the union has yet made.

The convention condemned the methods of certain warehouse building companies who are using the name of the union and officers to further their schemes. Governor X. O. Pindall addressed the members in open session from 1:30 to 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Over three hundred delegates are present and the total membership of the union is estimated at 1,600,000.

In a Kentucky court, says Success, an old colored woman was put on the witness stand to tell what she knew about the killing of a hog by a railway locomotive. Being sworn she was asked if she had seen the train kill the hog in question.

"Yassah, I seed it."

"Then," said counsel, "tell the court in as few words as possible just how it occurred."

"Yo' honah, responded the old lady, 'I sho' kin tell you in a few words. It jest tooted and tuck him."

Conductor Frank R. W. Burnett, of the Birmingham Railway, Light and Power Company was stabbed to death by a negro passenger on the South Ensey car line. It seems that the negro and Mr. Burnett had a dispute over the second collection of fare.

STATE PRISON

Report of Register Shows Slight Reduction.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 7.—The report of W. J. Brown, as register of the Mississippi State prison trustees, which is to be submitted to the board at its meeting this week shows that at the close of August there were in the penitentiary undergoing sentences a total of 1,349 convicts, which is fifteen less than the records showed for the July period, the total on hand at the beginning of August being 1,349. The largest number at the several points of concentration are 120 at Sunflower Camp No. 2; 117 on Belmont farm; 107 on Sunflower No. 4; 102 on No. 6; and 101 on No. 1. There were 18 discharges for the month, which is quite a record, four pardons, eight deaths and eight escapes, the two latter terms being also in excess of previous records, or recently previous, the total clearance being 38 for the month.

The escapes were: Virgil Lewis, from Sunflower, on August 22; Robert Fairley, from Oakley, on August 24; George Jackson from Rankin, July 26; Lucius Wade, Oakley, hospital August 10; Ed Turner, August 12 and Will Bell, July 30, Sunflower No. 6; John Henry Floyd and D. V. Jones, Sunflower No. 8, July 31.

On the Sunflower place, which is the penitentiary proper, under the strict interpretation of the statute, there were 859 convicts, including 38 in hospital, 35 in the saw mill, and 6 in the carpenter gang. At the home of the white convicts, which is Rankin farm, there were 85 all told, while there are two credited to the State Insane hospital here.

Governor Grants Pardon.

W. S. Scurr, a young white man who was sent to the penitentiary a few months since from Tate county, has been pardoned by the governor. This case was one known to the courts as one of "mistaken identity," and excited a great deal of interest in the supreme court. The court was evidently of the opinion that the law had fastened its fangs in the wrong man, but there was no reversible error and the verdict to the court below had to be permitted to stand. Scurr was charged and convicted of having stolen a livery outfit hired of a stableman. There was no doubt somebody had hired the rig and sold it. The liveryman swore Scurr was the man who hired the team, and several witnesses testified to having seen him with it. He proved an alibi, but it didn't work with the jury. Those who heard the trial were convinced of the young man's innocence, and so was the governor after he had waded through the testimony and the showing made by the accused since his imprisonment.

Chancery Notice.

State of Mississippi
Lowndes County
To Brant B. Fitzpatrick, post-office address, unknown. You are commanded to appear before the Chancery Court of the county of Lowndes in said State, on the first Monday of October 1907 to defend the suit of Mrs. Annie L. Fitzpatrick for divorce wherein you are a defendant. This 6th day of Sept. 1907.

D. D. RICHARDS, Clk.

In Unknown Grave.

The negro who was shot and killed by S. J. McConnell in the Southern railway yards several days since, was buried Thursday in the negro cemetery here. His body was never identified. He was thought to be Henry Wilson, of Indianola, but this proved erroneous.

Da's trouble 'nuff in dis world ter keep a mar gwine so fas' de rheumatism don't stan' no show wid 'im.

PRETTY BOY

Attention of Girls Worries Kermit Roosevelt.

Chicago, September 5.—It developed today that Kermit Roosevelt, the son of the president, who was making the march from Fort Leavenworth, Kans., to Fort Sheridan with the Thirtieth cavalry, deserted the soldiers at Joslin, Ill., because he could not longer endure the attentions to which the girls and women along the line of march subjected him.

The squadron of cavalry with which young Roosevelt was marching is between Elgin and Chicago and is expected to arrive at Fort Sheridan tomorrow. Lieutenant Phillip Sheridan said today:

"We have not heard from Kermit since he left us at Joslin, Ill., two weeks ago. All along the march he was lionized, and girls would visit the camp to see him. They would not let him alone even at mess, and curious people would pull back the flaps of the tent where he was eating. Early one morning, while we were at Joslin an elderly woman invaded his tent while he was still in his cot. She patted him on the cheek and called him a 'dear boy.' She was only acting in a motherly spirit, but that was the last straw for Kermit and he said he would take a train to Chicago and we have not seen him since."

Noel Day.

To All Mississippians:
The citizens of Holmes county, in mass greeting assembled, extend hearty greetings to the entire State of Mississippi and do now express to them their profound thanks and appreciation for the great honor they have conferred upon her most distinguished and favorite son, and extend to the people of the state a most hearty invitation to assemble at Lexington, on Thursday, September 12th, 1907, and join hands with us in celebrating the nomination of Honorable E. F. Noel as Governor of the State of Mississippi.

Jno. L. Dyson,
T. W. Smith,
T. J. Jordan,
Dr. F. L. Bott,
P. P. Lindholm,
J. S. Watson,
H. W. Watson,
Publicity Committee.

Business Conditions Good.

The Commercial National Bank of Chicago has been investigating business conditions throughout the country, 30,000 inquiries having been sent to bankers and business men. On the reports from these inquiries the conclusions are set forth in the following:

"The overwhelming evidence is that the business situation is sound and satisfactory. Not one of the thousands of replies negatives this conclusion in definite terms. That there has been a marked easing down from the tension of the spring and winter months of the year is generally admitted. The country had been rushing ahead at a whirlwind pace until the tax on credit and capital accumulations completed a respite. The demand for goods to meet instant needs, or to replace other goods destroyed by wars and calamities, or to provide for the certain needs of the future, has been unprecedented. To meet this it has been necessary for the manufacturers and distributing agencies of the entire world to employ almost every available unit of money and to put into action every potentiality of credit."

She Found Relief.

If you are troubled with liver complaint and have not received help read this. Mrs. Mary E. Hammond, Moody, Texas, "I was in poor health—with liver trouble—for over a year. Doctors did me no good and I tried Herbine, and three bottles cured me. I can't say too much for Herbine, as it is a wonderful liver medicine. I always have it in the use. Publish where you wish. Sold by Lide and Booth.

HEBREW

Citizens Prepare For Festival Of New Year.

Hebrew citizens of Columbus, as well as all other places in this country are beginning to make preparations for the observance of their New Year and Day of Atonement, the two most important days in the Hebrew calendar.

Rosh Hashonah, the new year, begins on the evening of September 8. Orthodox Hebrews will observe the festival September 9 and 10. Those of the reform-faith will observe but one day.

Yom Kippur, the day of atonement, begins at sundown on September 17. For twenty-four hours from that time Hebrews will observe the world will abstain from eating and drinking.

The lowliest Jew makes ready for the event; he gets fresh clothes for the family; his children will be made to look spick and span, and all abandon all thought of business.

The new year and day of atonement have a strong hold on the Jew, be he reformed or orthodox, and even though he is careless or has given up the observance of other Jewish festivals, he is sure carefully to observe these two.

In the old days no sacrifice was too much for the devout Hebrew to make on Yom Kippur to secure the forgiveness of his sins. Men stayed in the synagogues all night and the next day at prayer. So strict is the law that even Jewish children must abstain from food and drink just like their elders.

The Jewish citizens of Columbus will celebrate their new year tomorrow. Their stores will be closed. Services will be held this evening at six o'clock, and tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Christian church.

Facts About That New Railroad.

The election for or against the issuance of \$50,000 bonds to be issued when the Memphis and Pensacola railroad builds to the corporate limits of Columbus having been called for the 30th of September it is now up to the people whether they want the main line to Columbus or a second Artesia at Seens. The road is going to be built and the main line will not come through Columbus unless she gives a right of way through the city and terminal facilities. There is no speculation project in this demand. Every dollar given by Columbus will be used in your city. The demands could not be less.

Now let us look on the other side just one moment. This is not only a little line from Aberdeen to Pickensville but it means a through line from Tennessee to the Gulf. The road can be built much cheaper if it does not come to Columbus. Its natural route would be not far from Caladenia, Steens, Ethelsville to Pickensville. It would take from us the best tributaries we have to-day to Columbus. The road is going to be built and it is now left to the people of Columbus to say where it shall be built.

C. F. SHERROD.

Chancery Notice.

State of Mississippi
Lowndes County.
To John Moody postoffice address, Perkin Arkansas. You are commanded to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Lowndes in said State, on the 1st Monday of October A. D. 1907, to defend the suit of Bessie M. Moody for divorce wherein you are a defendant.

This 3rd day of September A. E. 1907.

D. D. RICHARDS Clerk.
By B. A. LINCOLN D. C.

WILLING WORKER

Skips From Meridian With Labor Day Funds.

J. F. Morrell, president of the Central Trades Council and chairman of the ways and means committee of the Labor Day celebration under the auspices of that organization, was much looked for here yesterday. Mr. Morrell had the receipts from the refreshment stands at the old fair grounds during the day of September 2, as well as the receipts from the entertainment at the Auditorium skating rink on that night from persons who witnessed the several events which were the closing features of the day's program.

This money was needed to liquidate the several expenses incurred by the committee in preparing the series of entertainments for Labor Day as announced by the Central Trades Council. But Mr. Morrell was nowhere to be found. A search was made for him and it developed that Mr. Morrell has left the city during the hours between midnight and morning, going, it is supposed, north over the Mobile and Ohio railroad, and taking with him the proceeds of the day previous—Meridian Dispatch.

Telephone Notice.

To Our Subscribers and Customers at Columbus, Miss.
Some two years ago the chief officials of the Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Company visited your city and had a conference in the City Hall with a large number of the prominent business and professional men and the President of our Company, Mr. James E. Caldwell, went into the telephone situation very carefully and fully, and stated the work that would have to be done in order to provide for the City of Columbus a first-class and up-to-date telephone service and system, and the minimum rates that would necessarily be charged for such service. A large number of those present followed the telephone official, and stated their willingness to pay whatever rate was necessary in order to give Columbus a modern telephone plant and service, and it is safe to say that no representative of any public service ever had a better or more thorough understanding with a more representative gathering of business men than was had on that occasion, to wit: On the night of June 12th, 1905.

We, at that time, promised to go to work promptly in preparing the engineering plans, in securing a suitable building, and in doing all the construction necessary to equip an exchange in a thoroughly first-class manner. This work has been accomplished. The people of Columbus have a telephone plant and equipment second to none in the world. It is a well recognized fact that the number of telephones embraced in an exchange, and the number of calls handled through an exchange, determine, regulate and fix the price of the service as long as the service is rendered on a flat basis, or, in other words, at so much per month. There are about eight hundred telephones connected with the Columbus exchange. The rates that we are proposing, to-wit: \$3.50 for business telephones and \$2.00 for residence telephones, are necessary rates when the price is measured by the cost of rendering the service, and these are the rates that we have announced, and are the rates that were discussed at the meeting held June 12, 1905.

The present high price of all telephone material and electrical equipment makes the margin of profit on business handled at this time very close, at the rates proposed.

We take pleasure in announcing the satisfactory installation

MIRACULOUS

Is Tenacity With Which Money Clings To Life.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 6.—Senator H. D. Money was in Jackson last night en route to his home on the Gulfcoast, and was the guest of Gov. Vardaman while in town. He had just returned from Greenwood where he was called by the announcement of the death of his nephew and the dangerously wounding of his brother, Col. Jim Money, at the hands of Dr. Grover Kirby. Before leaving Greenwood Senator Money saw his brother removed to the home of Mr. W. S. Vardaman, from the hospital. He is convinced that his brother is going to recover, but considers its miraculous. Fourteen bullets entered Col. Money's head, back and arms, the lead being fired from his rear. That is Senator Money's statement about the shooting of his brother.

of the new service. We trust our customers, and the public in general, will be pleased with the same, and that we will have the encouragement and endorsement of all the people who have occasion to use or patronize the system. It is our earnest and constant endeavor to please our customers. If at any time our local representatives fail to give you satisfactory results, you will confer a favor by addressing a letter personally to the Company's District Superintendent at Memphis, or writing directly to the President or General Manager at Nashville, and we assure you that any matters brought to our notice will receive prompt investigation and attention.

Thanking you for your past patronage, and soliciting its continuance, we are,

Yours truly,
LELAND HUME
General Manager

Jury List.

Following is the list of jury-men summoned for the first week of circuit court, which begins September 16th:

J. M. Duncan, R. H. Caldwell, G. C. Swanzy, W. B. Ferguson, J. M. Looney, J. M. Stewart, R. L. Terry, B. F. Barksdale, L. T. McLeomore, J. U. Take, C. W. Stanley, L. W. Richardson, M. H. Gee, J. O. Hinkle, J. M. Perkins, C. W. Nickels, S. B. Schawb, John Brownlee, L. A. Hairston, Bratt Williams, F. J. Usery, V. M. Higgins, W. W. McCullough, C. B. Richards, C. A. Pilkington, S. B. Stues, Stues, Jr., R. H. Halbert, T. F. Car, U. L. Gaines, J. L. Stillman, H. L. Bowden, D. R. Reector, W. E. Ervin, C. L. Peacher, J. A. Clark, A. E. Love, C. R. McDougal, W. S. Hinkle, J. B. Foote, E. G. Wright, C. A. Wakefield, J. A. Hicks, W. S. Turner, W. D. Prowel, Jr., C. A. Russell, M. V. Friday, J. C. Golding, M. B. Kemp and W. L. Ellis.

Chancery Notice.

The State of Mississippi
Lowndes County
To Annie Gayles, Postoffice address Memphis, Tenn. You are commanded to appear before the Chancery Court of Lowndes in said State, on the first Monday of October A. D. 1907, to defend the suit of Preston Gayles wherein you are a defendant. This 7th day of August A. D. 1907.

D. D. RICHARDS, Clerk.
B. A. LINCOLN, D. C.

Owing to the continued illness of Rev. Geo. R. Cates, the union revival scheduled for this week, was called off Tuesday evening, upon receipt of advice from Rev. Cates that he would be unable to meet the engagement.

The telegram stated he would leave at once for the Atlantic Coast for a rest.—Corinth Herald.

A charter has been granted and all preliminary arrangements made for the organization of an Elks Lodge in Winona. This lodge will be known as Winona Elks Lodge No. 1088.